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Madrid, May 6. N. S.

THE King and Queen of *Spain* returned to this Place on the 4th Instant from the *Escurial*, and this day they went to *Aranjuez*, where they design to continue some days, and then to go to *Toledo*. The King has made choice of the Sieur *Nocholas de Torres*, Provincial of the Order of St. *Dominick* for the Province of *Castile*, to be his Confessor in the room of the Sieur *Diaz*, who lately fell under his Displeasure. The Marquis *de Mortara*, Majordomo to the King, is lately dead. The Duke of *Moles* is gone from hence, on his Embassy to the Imperial Court. Cardinal *Archinto*, the Pope's Nuncio, took his Audiences of Leave yesterday of the King and Queen, and will part from hence in few days, and return to *Rome*. They write from *Cadiz*, that the Men of War which are fitting out there, to be sent with Supplies of Men and Ammunition to the *West Indies*, may be ready to sail about the middle of this Month. They have begun to fit out the Galeons, which are designed to depart in *September* next; The Flota from *New-Spain* is expected home about that time.

From the Saxon *Camp before* Riga, May 10. *N. S.* The Parties that went from our Camp to get Intelligence of the Succours which come from *Finland* to relieve the Town of *Riga* having brought Advice, that they are arrived within 18 *Swedish* miles of this Place, two Expresses were immediately dispatched, the one to *Warsaw*, to give the King an Account thereof, and the other to *Wilda*, to desire the Great General of *Lithuania* to cause the Forces under his Command, which are quartered on the Borders of that Dutchy, to march hither with all possible expedition. In the mean time we continue to fortify our Camp, which Work does so much employ our Troops, that we have not of late done any thing against the Town. The Besieged made a Sally two days ago, but were beat back with loss; And our Boats on the *Dwina* have taken two or three of their Vessels, and burnt six, which lay under the Cannon of the Town.

Warsaw, *May* 8. Divers of the Senators are not yet arrived from the Country, for which reason 'tis believed the Meeting of the Senate, which was appointed to be on the 10th Instant, will be put off for some days longer. Monsieur *du Heron*, Envoy from the Most Christian King had Audience two days ago of the King of *Poland*; He Congratulated the King upon his Election to this Crown, and afterwards offered his Master's Mediation for composing the Difference between the Crowns of *Sweden* and *Poland*. Prince *Sapieha*, the Great General of *Lithuania*, has writ Letters to the King, complaining of the Violences that have been lately committed by a Party of the Sieur *Oginsky's* Followers, and 'tis said, that after the great Assembly of the Senate is over, the King will take a Journey to *Lithuania*, to put a Stop to these Disorders.

Copenhagen, *May* 18. 'Tis said, the King of *Denmark* will go in few days to *Holstein*, but that he intends to make a very short stay in those Parts. Prince *Charles* of *Denmark*, his Brother, begins his Journey thither to morrow. Admiral *Paulsen* is arrived here from *Hamburgh*, and is gone on board the *Danish* Fleet, which lies at present in our Road, and will sail towards the Isle of *Bornholm* as soon as the Wind permits, being to cruize off that Island to observe the Motions of the *Swedish* Fleet, and hinder their transporting any Troops from *Carelscroon* to *Pomeren* or *Livonia*. 'Tis reported, that the King of *Denmark's* Ministers have declared, that they are ready to enter upon a Negociation for accommodating the Affair of *Holstein*, but have intimated at the same time, that the King their Master expects to be reimbursed the Charges he has been at, to demolish the Forts which the Duke lately built in *Holstein*.

Vienna, *May* 12. The Imperial Court removed from hence the 10th Instant to *Luxembourg*, to take the Diversions of this Season. The Emperor's Ministers are employed in preparing Instructions for Count *Straatman*, whom the Emperor is sending to *Poland* with the Character of his Envoy, to endeavour to accommodate Matters between the Kings of *Sweden* and *Poland*. The Imperial Forces are drawing together on the Frontiers of *Bohemia* and *Saxony*, and will make together about 12000 Men. The Imperial Troops in *Upper-Hungary* and *Transilvania* are marching towards *Arat*, and the other Frontier Towns on that side, and will be employed in repairing the Fortifications in those Places. The Bishop of *Lerida*, Ambassador from *Spain*, left this Place last week in order to return to *Madrid*. The *Turkish* Ambassador continues his Conferences with the Emperor's Ministers, who have taken notice to him, that the *Turks* make more Difficulties in relation to the settling of the Limits, and the exchanging and redeeming of Prisoners, than could be expected, and he has promised to write to the Grand Visier, and effectually to represent this Matter to him, to the end the Treaty of *Carlowitz* may be strictly observed.

Dresden, *May* 17. The *Saxon* Forces which were lately drawn together near *Guben* in *Lusatia*, have begun to march from thence to *Livonia*. The Baron of *Bosen* is gone from this Place to *Poland*. 'Tis said, several Persons of Quality of this Country have offered to lend the King of *Poland* a considerable Sum of Money for supplying his present occasions.

From the Danish *Camp before* Tonningen, May 20. The Artillery and Ammunition which were expected from *Gelucksstad* being arrived, the Cannon were immediately placed upon the Batteries which were prepared before-hand, and on the 14th Instant they began to play against the Town. We also opened our Trenches the same night, which we have since carried on within 100 paces of the Counterscarp. On the 16th, the House where our Bombs were preparing took fire, and by this accident several of our Men were killed, and a great quantity of Ammunition lost. On the 19th we attacked one of the Out-works of the Town, but were repulsed, and had divers Men killed and wounded. We continue to Batter the Place, intending as soon as the Breach is wide enough to attempt it by Storm.

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